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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY  
ALEXANDER C. GUTH - DISTRICT OFFICER  
1249 NORTH FRANKLIN PLACE - MILWAUKEE, WIS.

"VILLAGE HALL"  
Waukesha, Waukesha County, Wisconsin

Waukesha Town Board (Owner)

Erected - 1844

Architect and Builder unknown

The building has been moved twice and in these moving bees, it suffered considerably. A cupola on the main roof was entirely removed. No record of this has been found, except that the construction of the roof indicates where it existed and also its square area. The bases of the pilasters were also removed during one of the moving bees. The building otherwise is in excellent state of preservation and is put to daily use.

It is one story in height.

The building is constructed entirely of wood. The exterior walls are built up of huge timbers, squared by hand and pegged together. The auditorium is spanned by crude trusses built up of hand hewn materials and the rafters of young saplings squared on one side for the roof boarding to rest on.

A new ceiling has been placed in the auditorium. This conceals a beautiful vaulted one. The original door and window trim and wooden wainscot remain intact. They are beautifully executed.

The large windows are especially note worthy. They are of the type one runs across frequently in eastern monumental work, in as much as they are made up in three sections and

each section of the sliding type. These are the only windows of this type found in the entire state.

All the foregoing records were obtained from the building and from the old records of the Waukesha Town Board.

Alexander Carl Guth  
District Officer

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